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In re the Application of

Migaku SUZUKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 3761

Application No.: 10/587,944

Examiner: A. MARCETICH

Filed: October 17, 2006

Docket No.: 128971

For: ABSORBENT ARTICLE

**SMALL ENTITY ASSERTION AND
REQUEST FOR REFUND**

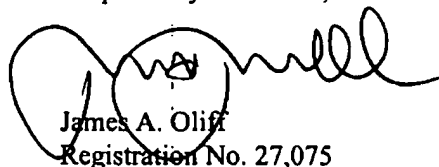
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.27(c), entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted. It is respectfully requested that the Patent Office records be marked accordingly and that all future fees be accepted on a Small Entity basis. Furthermore, it is respectfully requested that one-half of the Request for Continuation Examination fee and Extra Claims fee, submitted on May 19, 2009 in the amount of \$810.00 and \$52.00, be refunded to Deposit Account No. 15-0461 in view of the timely submission of this assertion. See 37 C.F.R. §1.28(a).

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Respectfully submitted,



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**LARGE ENTITY REQUEST FOR
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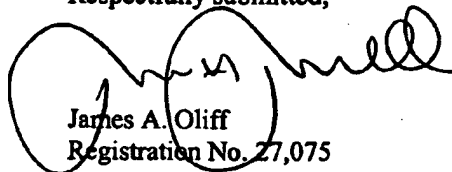
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicants hereby request continued examination.

☒ Applicants further request entry and consideration of the attached submission.

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 218284 in the amount of ☒ \$810.00 as payment of the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
☐ Small entity status of this application has been established.

Any additional claim fees have been calculated as shown below:

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- ☒ Check No. 218285 in the amount of \$52.00 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461.

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